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1. EMBOFF PRESENTED POINTS IN REFTEL TO A. GHOSE, DIRECTOR FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE UN DIVISION OF THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS. GHOSE NOTED THAT GOI HAD NOT PARTICIPATED IN THE WORKING GROUP ONLY BECAUSE IT HAD NOT WISHED TO JOIN (IN JANUARY 1978) IN THE MIDDLE OF THE GROUP'S DELIBERATIONS. THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT WAS NONETHELESS INTERESTED IN THE GROUP'S WORK AND WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY BECOME MORE ACTIVELY INVOLVED AS THE PROPOSAL MOVED TOWARDS COMPLETION.

2. ON THE SPECIFIC QUESTION OF AN ECOSOC RESOLUTION AT THIS SESSION CALLING FOR A CONFERENCE IN 1979, GHOSE THOUGHT -- WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO REVIEW HER FILES -- THAT THE RESULTS OF THE CORRUPT PRACTICES WORKING GROUP WERE TO BE REFERRED TO THE TRANSNATIONAL CORPORATION COMMISSION (I.E. AT ITS 1979 SESSION), IN ORDER FOR THE COMMISSION TO CONSIDER ITS RELEVANCE TO THE COMMISSION'S WORKING GROUP ON THE CODE OF CONDUCT. SHE  
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UNDERSTOOD WORK ON A CODE WAS MOVING ALONG AND THAT THREE MORE SESSIONS OF THAT WORKING GROUP WOULD BE HELD BEFORE THE SPRING OF 79.

3. GHOSE PERSONALLY PREFERRED THIS COURSE OF ACTION BECAUSE FIRST, SOME SUBSTANTIVE COORDINATION BY TNC COMMISSION SEEMED REASONABLE; AND SECOND, TWO SIMULTANEOUS SETS OF NEGO-

TIATIONS IN THE AREA OF TNC'S WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO BACKSTOP.

4. EMBOFF ARGUED THAT, GIVEN THE PROGRESS TO DATE IN THE CORRUPT PRACTICES WORKING GROUP AND THE APPARENT CONSENSUS APPROACH THAT IS DEVELOPING ON THE SUBJECT, IT WOULD BE UNFORTUNATE FOR FURTHER WORK TO BE DELAYED BY ONE YEAR AWAITING THE TNC COMMISSION REVIEW. GHOSE REPLIED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO REASON TO HALT FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF A CORRUPT PRACTICES TREATY--WHICH SHE FORESAW MIGHT WELL BE SEPARATE FROM THE CODE--DURING THE INTERIM, WITH RAPID MOVEMENT TOWARDS A CONFERENCE ON THE BASIS OF THE TNC COMMISSION DECISION.

5. COMMENT: WE WOULD HAVE NO TROUBLE GOING BACK TO TRY AGAIN WITH GHOSE IF DEPARTMENT WISHES TO PROVIDE FURTHER ARGUMENTS IN FAVOR OF AN ECOSOC DECISION AT THIS SESSION.  
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